

Pakistanis march for free press

KARACHI, April 5 (R). — Some 2,000 journalists and other newspaper workers marched through the streets of Karachi today demanding greater freedom for Pakistan's government-controlled press.

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Turkish elections on June 5

ANKARA, April 5 (R). — Turkey's parliament, paralysed by internal government disputes, today decided to advance national elections by four months.

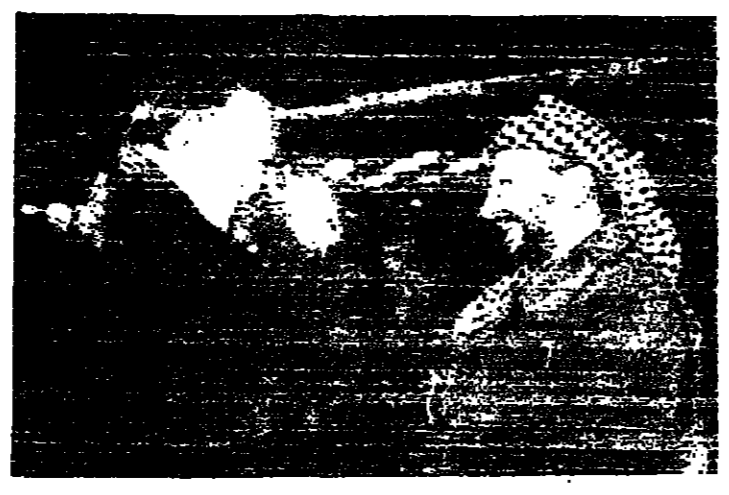
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Hussein: Israel is terrified of peace

AMMAN (INA). — "Israelis lack the courage to work peace because Israel is, and always has been, terrified of the peace."

Arafat, Soviets discuss Mideast

MOSCOW, April 5 (R). — Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat today discussed the Middle East with representatives of the semi-official Soviet Afro-Asian Solidarity Committee.



MOSCOW WELCOME — Palestine Liberation Organisation Chairman Yasser Arafat (right) is welcomed in Moscow, Monday, by Mr. V. Zogladin of the Foreign Department of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union's Central Committee. (AP wirephoto).

National Council meeting in Cairo, which adopted a programme calling for the establishment of an independent Palestinian state.

It described this as "standing the problem on its head." "Evidently the zealous 'defenders' of human rights feel that besides the 'movable' borders, which they would like to give to the Israeli aggressors, there are also 'moveable homelands' with which they intend to keep the heroic Palestinian people happy," Izvestia declared.



TAYBEH RETAKEN — Lebanese leftists and Palestinians with their weapons pose before the house of Lebanon's Speaker of Parliament Kamel As'ad, Monday, after capturing the southern Lebanese town of Taybeh from its rightwing defenders. (AP wirephoto).

Left says new attack in S. Lebanon repulsed

QANTARA, Lebanon, April 5 (R). — Jubilant leftists and Palestinians said today they had beaten back a fierce rightist counter-attack in what they said was the biggest battle since Arab peace-keeping forces ended fighting in most of Lebanon last November.

Commanders here and in Bint Jbeil denied reports that Syrian forces had taken part in the past few days' fighting.

Taybeh from Palestinian and leftist forces. The wounded men said at least three rightists had been killed, others were wounded and several were missing.

Yish Emunim marches in support another West Bank settlement

U. KARNEM, Occupied West Bank, April 5 (R). — Thousands of ultra-nationalist Israelis marched through the rain-soaked Samarian hills on the occupied West Bank today to show their opposition to any Israeli withdrawal from occupied Arab areas.

New Congolese cabinet formed

BRAZZAVILLE, April 5 (Agencies). — Congo's ruling Military Committee today formed a new 15-member government with Maj. Louis Sylvain Goma remaining as Prime Minister.

The constitution has been in force since June 1973. The Military Committee of the Congolese Workers Party, the country's only legal political grouping, announced that there were 15 ministers in the new cabinet.

The fighting, in Lebanon's far south, involved artillery duels across the nearby Israeli frontier with Israeli units giving supporting fire to the rightists, according to leftist and Palestinian commanders.

Sadat asks U.S. for arms

WASHINGTON, April 5 (R). — President Anwar Sadat today argued Egypt's case for being furnished with jets and tank weapons by the United States.

because of accidents and a shortage of spare parts. President Carter told reporters he had formed a firm personal friendship with President Sadat.

Castro, Soviets discuss Africa

MOSCOW, April 5 (R). — Vice President Fidel Castro Kremlin leaders headed by Soviet Premier Leonid Brezhnev today started talks expected to centre on postwar Africa.

diplomatic ties with Havana, alleging that Cuban officers led an invasion force from Angola into Zaire's Shaba province, formerly known as Katanga.

Israelis accused of torture

HAMBURG, April 5 (R). — The West German magazine Stern accused Israeli secret service agents today of torturing two alleged German guerrillas arrested in Nairobi and taken secretly to Israel 14 months ago.

The rightwing assault was aimed at recapturing the hill-top town of Taybeh, which the rightists captured last Thursday before being flushed out by Lebanon's leftist-Palestinian alliance in hand-to-hand fighting yesterday.

U.S. AGREES TO LEBANON TAKING PART IN GENEVA

BEIRUT, April 5 (R). — The United States has told Lebanon it had no objection to Lebanese participation in the Geneva Middle East peace talks, U.S. Ambassador Richard Parker said here today.

U.S. officials said President Carter would probably consider the request sympathetically, and try to overcome congressional reluctance on the grounds that military aid to Egypt would not seriously change the balance of power in the Middle East.

CUBAN TROOPS WILL GO TO LIBYA

CAIRO, April 5 (R). — Cuban heavy troops in Cairo today were reported to be stationed in Libya.

Soviet interest in North Africa put into relief by Moscow visit of Tunisian P.M.

MOSCOW, April 5 (R). — Tunisian Prime Minister Hedi Nouira, paying a week's visit to Moscow, today had talks with Soviet Premier Alexei Kosygin on Middle East affairs and the strengthening of Soviet-Tunisian cooperation.

South Yemen denies reports of reconciliation with Oman

ADEN, April 5 (R). — South Yemen today denied reports of an imminent reconciliation with Oman and said Aden's quarrel with its conservative neighbour stemmed from the presence of Iranian and other foreign troops there.

Women may propose constitution for Rhodesia during his African tour

JOHANNESBURG, April 5 (AFP). — Foreign Secretary Dawid Owen may discuss drawing up a constitution for an independent Rhodesia during his coming Southern African tour, a Foreign Office spokesman said here today.

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NOSE-TO-NOSE — Egyptian President Anwar Sadat (left) and U.S. President Jimmy Carter face each other during ceremonies Monday in the White House's East Room. (AP wirephoto).

# India's Desai faces tumultuous testing months ahead

As India moves into a new two-party era without Mrs. Gandhi at its head the months ahead under the austere 81-year-old Prime Minister Morarji Desai are bound to be tumultuous. One of the new problems will be the changed relationship between the centre and the states. New Delhi and the states are now ruled by rival parties. An added complication will be the presidential elections which must be held by August 16.

Just as a strong centre federal set-up is not synonymous with one-person rule certainly will create distrust psychology if all decisions subject to the pulls and pressures of the five constituent...

At the political level the ruling party is confronted with innumerable problems, and foremost is the unresolvable division of the party after the Congress split after the poll. The party dominates in the north and Congress in the south.

The ruling party has the clear task to see that the frontbench between the two does not become a northern party and the Congress a southern party. A change of perspective from the point of view of national unity...

Secondly, New Delhi and the states are ruled by rival parties. This is a disturbing factor for cordial centre-state relations. The ruling party leaders and the Sarvagaya or Jayaprakash Narayan, have inspired the victory of Mrs. Gandhi, favour 'hot' elections for the state legislature, perhaps with an eye on the presidential election which must be held by August 16.

If an attempt is made to complete this there is bound to be strain between Delhi and the states. So as Congress governments enjoy a majority in their legislatures this cannot be done, if attempted this will go against what the ruling party stood when it was in opposition.

Popular hopes have been roused by the new ruling party. It had told the people bread and butter, but against liberty. After they are bound to clamour for bread.

The economic situation is from satisfactory -- and had been asserted by the position during the battle of the ballots. There cannot any soft options for economic growth and it will require the tact and imagination arouse popular enthusiasm hard work, for blood, toil tears for a prosperous happy tomorrow.

Popular participation in economic growth is not difficult. The new regime gives the people confidence that it is willing to end inequality and discrimination.

Foreign policy will not go any major shift except the tilt towards the Soviet will go. The ruling party said it wants friendly relations with Moscow and would like improve them, but Mos seems a little uncertain. question of abrogation of Indo-Soviet friendship treaty much in the minds of a leaders of the ruling party.

India has entered a phase of its history. For first time a two-party system has come into being. The Moscow communist party been almost wiped out. Marxist communist party w to an independent India is possibility for the survival Communism in India.

India has demonstrated democracy is deep-rooted in the region. The smooth change over is a tribute to its genius and culture. But it not be denied that the months and years are bound to unfold the new path in with traverse.

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## Preaching & practising

President Sadat of Egypt has done well to bring the question of Palestinian national rights and the hypocrisy of America's selective human rights campaign into the White House ceremonies and the talks he is having with President Carter this week. Mr. Sadat stands today as a symbol of the ravages of conflict in the Middle East. He is at once caught in the superpower rivalry between the United States and the Soviet Union, the ongoing conflict between the Arabs and Israel and, perhaps the most difficult battle of all, the struggle of his people to stay one step ahead of economic collapse and one meal ahead of starvation. He is in Washington to seek financial aid, military equipment and a few straight answers from Mr. Carter about what America really intends to do to try and bring peace to the Middle East. He stands as the archetypal local actor in the superpower rivalry who has tried to take advantage of the competing advances of both East and West, and he stands in Washington this week cut off from Soviet arms and asking for American arms. His capital city has witnessed bloody food riots that are as dramatic a testament as we will ever see to the consequences of difficult social and economic inequalities. These are not all problems of Mr. Sadat's own making, but they are his problems nevertheless.

So when he tells Mr. Carter that the Palestinians need a place to express their national aspirations, and when he rightly points out to Mr. Carter that the American human rights campaign is not being directed at the denial of Arab human rights by the Israelis, he is bringing up points that should be of deep concern to those who say they want to help bring peace to the Middle East. The Carter administration has made it clear that it seeks to set standards of personal and national conduct that are determined by forces greater than just military or economic power. The policy-makers in Washington today talk about being good, being right, being moral and being just. Mr. Sadat has put on Washington's doorstep some suggestions about morality in the Middle East, justice for all the people in the Arab-Israeli conflict, and the human rights of those Palestinians who have not had the access to the ear of the American president whose tongue daily repeats the American commitment to human rights.

Mr. Sadat asks the American leadership to practise what it preaches. The Israelis, meanwhile, are shelling southern Lebanon, trying to kill the Palestinians whose human rights President Sadat brings up with President Carter, whose financial and military assistance in turn allows the Israelis to keep shelling. President Sadat is telling President Carter that America has to face up to some severe contradictions in its Middle East policy. The Americans should listen to their Arab friends.

## ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

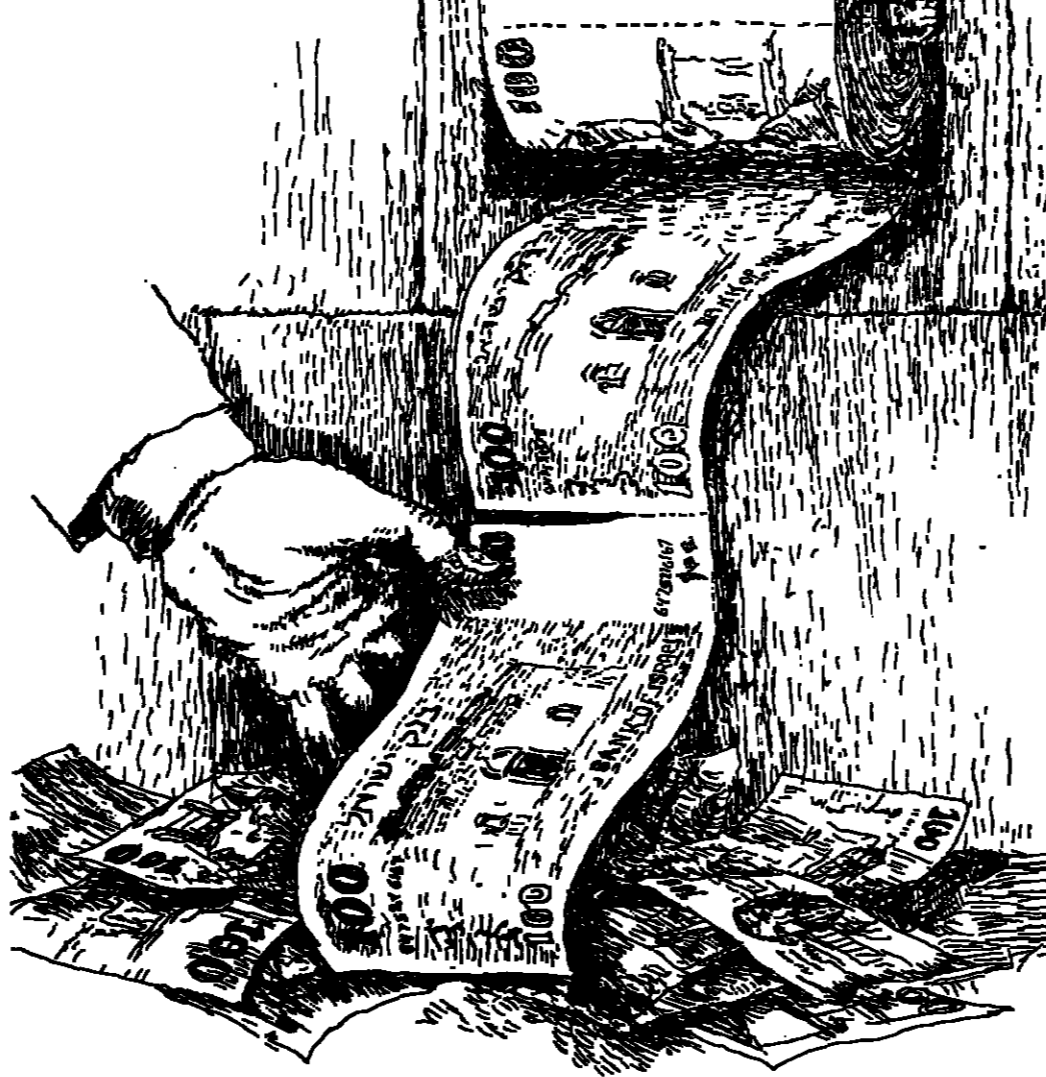
One Jordanian daily commented in its Tuesday editorial on the speech His Majesty King Hussein delivered Monday while he presided over the meetings of the Higher Committee for Occupied Land's Affairs in which he explained to committee members the political situation in the Arab region. A second daily discussed the role of the United States could play and the influence it could have on a Middle East peace settlement.

AL RAI, under the heading "A speech stemming from experience" said that when His Majesty declares that road towards peace has become more difficult and complex, he says so out of experience and first hand knowledge of the problem, as he is one of the Arab leaders who has been intimately involved with the Middle East crisis and its various developments. Based on this fact enunciated by His Majesty we cannot but reach the conclusion that all assertions and suppositions by the international mass media about 1977 being the year of peace are just a storm in a cup which will leave nothing behind. The only fact on which we can base our action, the paper said, is the following: No Israeli leadership is ready to effect a withdrawal from the occupied territories in exchange for peace. And this leadership by nature looks beyond Israeli borders for the handling of the solutions. We should rely on our strength as our only guarantor against further Israeli expansion schemes. However, this strength should stem from Arab solidarity and joint Arab action. Any crack in that edifice will weaken its foundations.

AL SHA'B, under the heading "The only request" said that the only role the United States should play is to ensure the Israeli withdrawal from occupied Arab territories and remove all traces of aggression. The United States has the power to do so as it holds the means to pressure Israel. It can, alone, oblige Israel to withdraw from the occupied territories if it so desired and compel it to recognise the legitimate rights of the Palestinians.

The Arab contacts with the new U.S. administration could lead to either success or failure. The same applies to the Geneva Middle East peace conference. Now it is inconceivable for the Arabs to accept medium or unsure results after the many concessions made to ensure its being convened. Planning Minister Abdol Majid Majidi deputed a large team to the job of revising the annual plan 1977-78 and the outlines of the sixth five-year plan, both due before the Iranian new year last month. The Shah has told planners he wants an end to "showcase projects" and greater stress on developing the infrastructure. When in 1974 Iran suddenly liberalised its imports, the country's roads, railroad and ports were ill-suited to handle the glut of goods. As a result, thousands of tons of material were stuck at the Gulf ports,

## Israeli Inflation

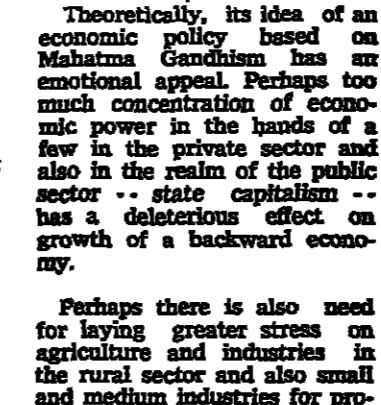


## Iran tightens its belt in wake of reduced oil income

TEHRAN, (Gemini) — A harsh belt-tightening in the wake of declining oil revenues and three years of profligate spending has put a damper on Iranian purchases abroad, which topped \$13 billion last year. Official statistics will be forthcoming soon, but Iran's ports, railroads and overland trailer routes are reporting a slump in the volume of cargo. Iran's income from its crude exports, mainstay of a burgeoning national budget, fell sharply last summer as a result of Iran's dispute with the oil companies' consortium led by British Petroleum and low world demand. The shockwaves were registered across the board, but the government and the private sector continued to hope for an improvement in the revenue position and delayed the much needed cutbacks. A 2.4 billion deficit in the annual budget 1976-1977 rose to nearly four billion by the third quarter of the year. Soon afterwards, however, the fear of a year-end oil price rise set off a boom in crude spot markets and Iran's oil exports picked up. Late in December, statisticians announced that the year's deficit would, after all, be wiped out. Despite relief from the "spot boom", officials agreed that another slump in the oil income was certain after the December meeting of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) ministers in Doha, Qatar.

To prepare the country for that eventuality as much as to correct the mistakes of the past three years, the Shah decreed a "war on wastage of human and material resources" and inefficiency of government departments. An "imperial commission" was vested with powers to review all projects and cut expenditure wherever possible. All new appointments in government departments were stopped, many unfilled posts were abolished and departments merged into each other to make do with less money. Prime Minister Amir Abbas Hoveyda set an example by trimming his own staff. Official mail lists were slashed and the customary cup of tea for the visitor was done away with. Yet, the price split at Doha caught the government off guard. Suddenly, the "anti-wastage commission" found itself in charge of a monumental job. It had to apply cuts not only where they were called for, but also where they hurt.

Political observers worry that the disclosure, if it is true, will put Japanese diplomacy in a quandary. Mr. Gregory Clark in his book to be published this week writes that the Japanese government still used old codes despite evidence that the Australian Security Intelligence Organisation (ASIO) has regularly intercepted secret Japanese correspondence between Canberra and Tokyo, the daily said. According to Mr. Clark, "a Canberra political correspondent for the Australian Financial Review wrote a story in 1976 exposing the way in which the Japanese codes were being broken. The writer implied that other Western governments were involved." He says if Western governments are able to obtain decoded Japanese cables or messages, the Russians can do the same because they have the technology to do so. Mr. Clark observed that "Western diplomatic officials are particularly careful when they talk to Japanese diplomats even when they talk to them on an informal basis." "I suspect this is because they realise if their remarks are transmitted from one part of the world to another, the comments could be passed back to their own governments," he said.



MORARJI DESAI

NEW DELHI, (Gemini) ... When India's new government under 81-year-old Prime Minister Morarji Desai accomplishes the promise of dismantling the apparatus of repressive laws and clearing the debris of the emergency it will be faced with the stark realities of economic, social and even political challenges. The manifestos of the parties which challenged Mrs. Gandhi's Congress at the hustings and are now supporting the new government are somewhat woolly and vague and on some points even contradictory. Theoretically, its idea of an economic policy based on Mahatma Gandhism has an emotional appeal. Perhaps too much concentration of economic power in the hands of a few in the private sector and also in the realm of the public sector -- state capitalism -- has a deleterious effect on growth of a backward economy. Perhaps there is also need for laying greater stress on agriculture and industries in the rural sector and also small and medium industries for promoting employment.

list Party wedded to democratic socialism, and the fourth, Jana Sangh, Hindu nationalist party. The breakaway Congress Party of Jagjivan Ram had a leftist orientation as its election manifesto clearly showed. It attracted the pro-communists in Congress and the pro-Moscow Communist Party of India hailed its formation as a revolt against the growth of an extra-constitutional centre of power -- Mrs. Gandhi's son, Sanjay.

How the separate identities of the constituent groups which have been nurtured over a long period are erased will determine to a great extent the future of the ruling party.

Even the Congress, when it was functioning democratically, found it difficult to resolve factional pulls and for a party welded together through a painful process this would be a really challenging task.

Mrs. Gandhi as prime minister and leader of the Congress Party, concentrated all powers in her hands and her colleagues abdicated their responsibility by their sycophancy and this brought about her and her party's downfall.

## Western intelligence agencies easily decode Japan's secret cables

TOKYO, April 5 (AFP). — Secret Japanese diplomatic cables have been decoded by major Western intelligence agencies for years. This was disclosed today by the Mainichi Daily News, quoting a former Australian diplomat now living in Tokyo. Political observers worry that the disclosure, if it is true, will put Japanese diplomacy in a quandary. Mr. Gregory Clark in his book to be published this week writes that the Japanese government still used old codes despite evidence that the Australian Security Intelligence Organisation (ASIO) has regularly intercepted secret Japanese correspondence between Canberra and Tokyo, the daily said.

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# Population seminar aims at more comprehensive planning

Most economic planning models, until very recently, had population as essential datum, something determined outside the system. Population was usually assumed to be at a certain exogenous level without directly linking it to the overall economic growth process. This assumption is generally considered to be naive and impractical. Population, employment and development are interrelated, and policy designs and planning models should take this account.

There are many relevant economic-demographic interactions, some of which are straightforward -- the long-term impact of population growth on labour supply is an obvious example.

Other interactions would be the effect of female fertility on labour force. Declining fertility might increase female labour supply in the short-term but would affect employment wages and indirectly production and prices.

Others include the effects of urban migration on housing consumption and the consequent effects this would have on structure and level of urbanisation and the impact of social and economic progress associated with it.

Others are examples of relationships in which the direction of causation is from demogra-

**A FOUR-DAY seminar on population, employment and development** sponsored by the National Planning Council and the International Labour Organisation (ILO) started at Al Hussein Youth City Monday. The aim of the participants -- Jordan, Syria, Iraq, the ILO, USAID, the International Development Fund and the United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) -- is to try and integrate the myriad of demographic factors -- population size and distribution, migration, fertility, mortality -- with the overall development planning process, as ILO representative Dr. Henry Azzam explains in this introduction to the seminar.

phic change to economic change, but the reverse direction is equally important.

For example, increased job opportunities for women may delay marriage and reduce fertility. Mortality is closely related to standard of living, and wage differentials affect migration.

The thesis that we would like to stress in the seminar is that where economic or social changes have demographic repercussions, or where demographic changes have social implications, these wider effects need to be taken into account in policy evaluation. Also, development plans should be designed to allow for these interrelationships.

The Population and Labour Policies Branch of the ILO has pioneered much research work in the field of economic-demographic interrelationships. Some are partial analysis studies dealing with migration, fertility, labour force participation etc. Others are comprehensive planning models, where most of the interrelationships between,

the economic market and the demographic system are presented and qualified.

The model is then used to simulate the performance of the economy as a whole in the intermediate to long-run. It can therefore serve as a "laboratory" to test several policy recommendations that would otherwise have been implemented in real life. By running the model without a given policy change and comparing the results, an estimate of the impact of that policy change on the economy can be obtained.

In practice, planners have a subjective concept of the existing economic-demographic interrelationships. However, a subjective, mental model will usu-

ally be partial, oversimplifying many issues and include many shaky and untested relationships, because its assumptions will not be open to discussion and criticism.

An explicit quantitative model is, therefore, needed. We hope that some of the seminar recommendations will point this way.

The population and labour policies branch of the ILO is ready to offer the technical assistance needed for the countries of the region to undertake demographic-economic studies. This may either be done through partial analysis studies, such as migration, fertility, labour-force participation etc. or through constructing comprehensive planning models.

A project proposal to study migration and fertility that would later lead to a comprehensive planning model for Jordan has, in fact, already been submitted to the Jordanian government for its consideration.

We hope that this will be the beginning of greater cooperation between the ILO and Jordan, as well as with Middle East countries, in the field of economic-demographic studies.



Pierre Gemayel lays a wreath at the tomb of the late Queen Ayla shortly after his arrival in Amman Tuesday. (JNA photo).

# Science policy to come under discussion in May

AMMAN (JNA). — His Highness Crown Prince Hassan will preside over a three-day seminar on science and technology policy at the Royal Scientific Society (RSS) on May 19.

Prime Minister Mudar Badran, in an official announcement has told the competent departments to prepare initial studies related to scientific research in the various sectors of the Kingdom to assess its role in promoting social and economic progress.

Premier Badran also asked the Deputy Director General of the RSS, Dr. Fakhruddin Abdul

Hadi Al Daghistani, and the Deputy Director General of the Jordan Valley Commission to contact the ministries and institutes concerned to help in preparing papers for the seminar.

Dr. Al Daghistani said that a conference chaired by Prince Hassan will be convened next November. The conference will be attended by representatives of Jordan and other countries and discussions will centre around science and technology policy in the light of the results of the May 19 seminar.

# OAS HEAD LEAVES HERE

## CIVIL SERVICE CHANGES MADE

AMMAN (JNA). — The Cabinet approved a number of significant changes in top government posts at its Sunday meeting.

The head of research and studies at the Central Bank, Dr. Jawad Anani, is moved to the Labour Ministry where he becomes Under-Secretary as of April 10.

Dr. Adnan Al Hadidi, a professor at the University of Jordan, becomes Director General of the Department of Antiquities on the same date.

In the same ministry, Director General of Tourism Ghaleb Abu Jaber is pensioned off and replaced by Jordan's press attache in Washington, Mr. Michel Hamarneh.

The Director General of the Meteorological Department, Mr. Ghazi Rifat, was also pensioned off, and Director General of the Department of Culture and Arts, Mr. Taha Hikmet, becomes advisor at the Prime Ministry.

Director General of the Department of Antiquities Ya'qoub Oweiss, Under-Secretary at the Ministry of Labour Naji Abdul Aziz, and Dr. Nasser-eddin Al Assad become ambassadors at the Foreign Ministry.

AMMAN (Agencies). — The Secretary General of the Organization of American States (OAS), Mr. Alejandro Orfila of Argentina, left here Tuesday morning after a five-day visit.

He stated that he had discussed the possibility of holding a dialogue between Arab and Latin American countries and the expansion of diplomatic representation in Latin America.

# Badran visits public security department

AMMAN (JNA). — Prime Minister Mudar Badran Tuesday paid a visit to the Public Security Department, where he met with Minister of Interior Suleiman Arar and Public Security Director Maj-Gen. Ghazi Arabiyat.

Mr. Badran was briefed on the department's activities, achievements and the services it provides for citizens. He was also informed about the coordination underway between it and other Arab public security departments and the assistance it provides them, in particular in the field of training.

He afterwards was briefed by director of training Brig. Kamel Qaqish on the history and development of the Public Security Department and the responsibilities it shoulders.

Accompanied by Mr. Arar and Maj-Gen. Arabiyat, Premier Badran toured the various sections.

Before that, he presided over a meeting of the directors of the various public security departments and was briefed on their activities.

# KING HUSSEIN PRESIDES OVER REHABILITATION MEETING

AMMAN (JNA). — His Majesty King Hussein presided over a meeting of the Higher Royal Committee for Rehabilitation at King Hussein Medical Centre Monday.

The participants reviewed its achievements since its founding in 1975, the building of Farah Rehabilitation Centre and matters concerning the staff that will run the centre.

Discussion also centred on the possibility of starting a national organisation to look after the handicapped and solve rehabilitation problems.

It was decided to form a sub-committee to oversee the training of the staff of Farah Centre and to contact a number of American and Iranian universities, which could also train employees.

# Arab satellite communications meet to start

AMMAN (JNA). — The Administrative Council of the Arab Space Communications Institute will meet at Riyadh Thursday.

Director General of the Telecommunications Corporation Mohammad Shahed Ismail, who will represent Jordan at the conference, said the council will discuss a plan for the construction of a space communications network via a satellite to be owned by the telecommunications corporations of Arab League member-states.

The project will serve as an auxiliary to the ground communications network with the aim of linking the Arab countries in a unified network.

Mr. Ismail, who leaves for Riyadh Thursday, is Deputy Chairman of the Administrative Council of the Arab Space Communications Institute.

# Aqaba free zone project discussed

AMMAN (JNA). — The Board of Administration of the Free Zone Corporation Tuesday discussed applications submitted by a number of British, American and Swedish companies interested in leasing lots in the Aqaba free zone for the establishment of assembly industries.

The board, which convened Tuesday evening under Minister of Finance Mohammad Dahbas, also discussed a plan for the construction of the 1,850 dunum free zone.

An engineering consultant will soon draw up a master plan of the area, which will include a cold store with a 3,000-tonne capacity.

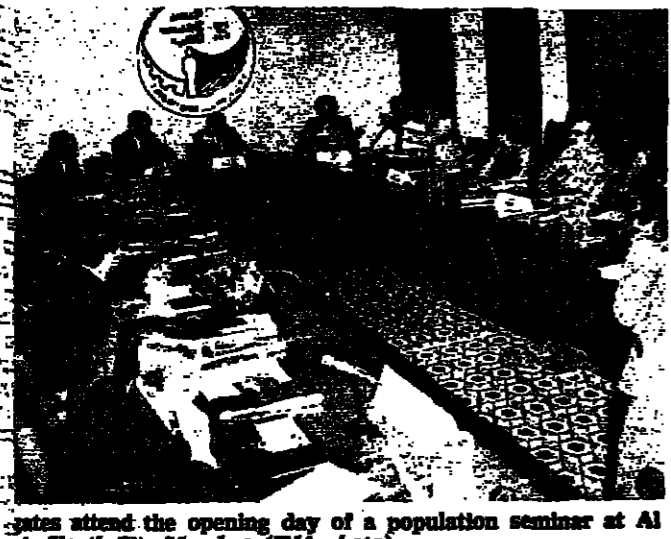
The meeting also discussed the provision of automatic fire fighting equipment.

# GEMAYEL MEETS WITH KING HUSSEIN

AMMAN (R). — Mr. Pierre Gemayel, leader of the Lebanese Phalangist Party, conferred with His Majesty King Hussein here Tuesday.

The Jordan News Agency said the two men discussed the situation in Lebanon and the means of restoring peace and stability there and also the chances of achieving peace in the Middle East.

Mr. Gemayel laid a wreath on the tomb of the late Queen Ayla immediately upon his arrival.



Participants attend the opening day of a population seminar at Al Hussein Youth City Monday. (JNA photo).

# ECWA expert tells seminar Female participation in economy grows

AMMAN (JNA). — The seminar on population, employment and development Tuesday resumed its meeting at Al Hussein Youth and discussed the working papers submitted by the participating delegations.

Dr. Nadr Al Atasi of the Economic Committee for Western (ECWA) presented a paper on employment and development in Syria and Jordan, in which he explained that the participation of women in economic activities is growing. He pointed out a 12 per cent increase in the female labour force took place in Jordan due to better education and the difficult living conditions that compel women to seek work.

Dr. Atasi called for more industrial and rural development and the establishment of a number of industries that can absorb unemployment.

The International Labour Organisation expert, Dr. Ghazi Fakhri also presented a working paper in which he spoke about illegal immigration and its effect on developing nations.

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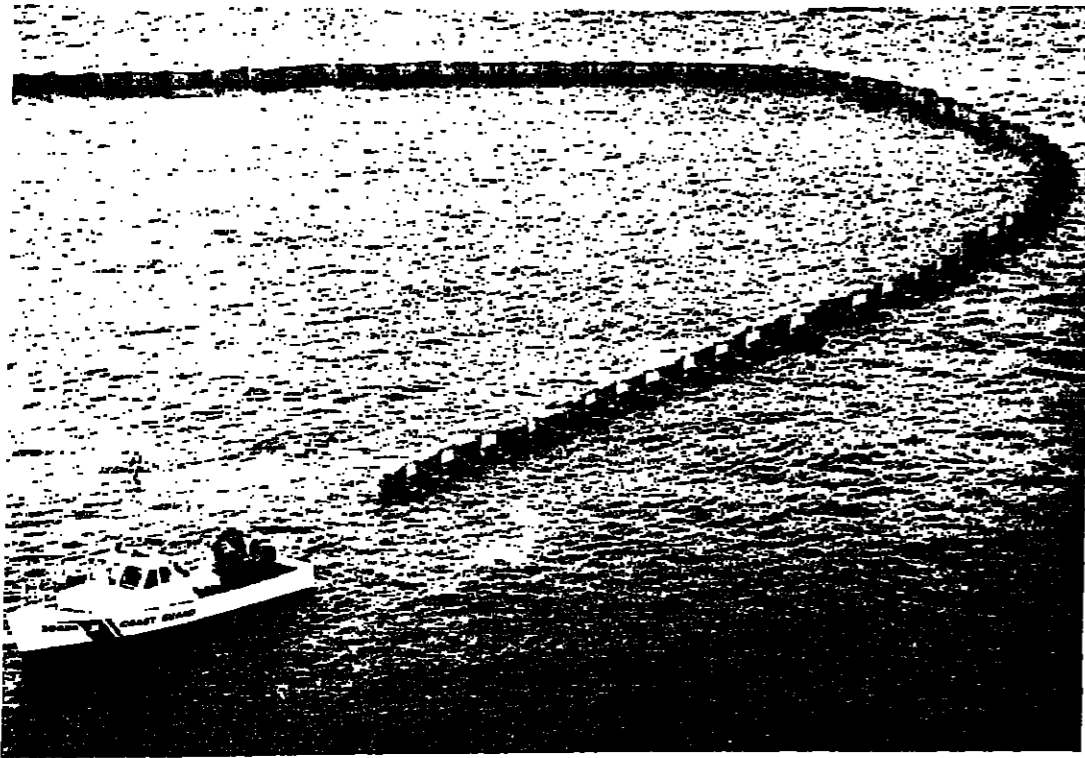
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# U.S. Coast Guard continues quest for oil spill technology



Coast Guard vessel tows floating oil barrier into position.

Photos and Text By R. Norman Matheny.  
The Christian Science Monitor News Service.

ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND — New procedures and equipment for containing and vacuuming up oil spills from harbours and the high seas are being put into action by the U.S. Coast Guard.

New skimmer equipment was tested recently on waters just off the U.S. Naval Academy here in Annapolis.

The Coast Guard used a cutter, helicopters, a floating barrier (called the High Sea State Oil Containment System), pumping systems and a pontooned high seas oil recovery system to clean up after a simulated spill.

A 126,000-gallon recovery barge, the vessel into which a real spill would have been pumped, was also on the scene for the test.

A small vessel towed the floating containment barrier, a flexible "wall" kept afloat by pontoons, around the "spill." Then the pumps, suspended between two larger pontoons,

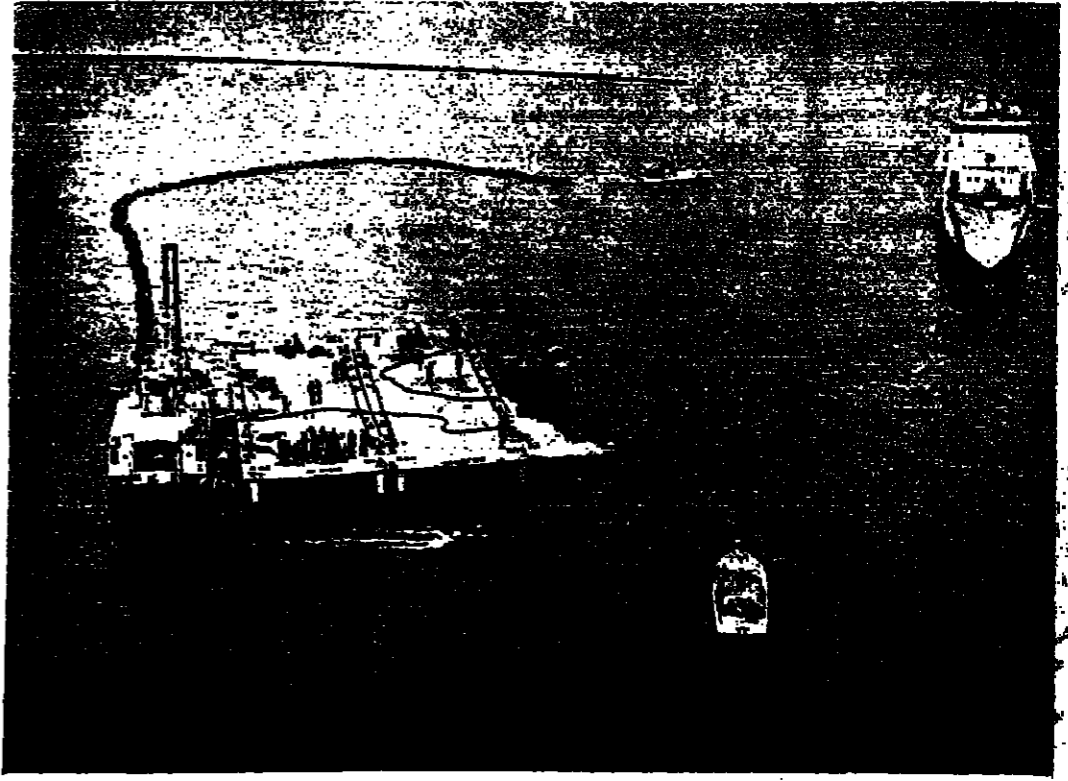
were positioned to lick up the "spill" and stow it safely aboard the recovery barge before it could spread or be washed ashore. Helicopters were used to tote the recovery equipment.

The new method eliminates the sticky problem of what to do with the oil-saturated absorbent materials formerly used to sop up spills, say Coast Guard spokesman.

Having passed the Annapolis test in mid-December with flying colours, the equipment was airlifted late in the month to New England for use in the attempted recovery of 7.6 million gallons of oil spilled from the Liberian tanker Argo Merchant off Nantucket Island.

Unfortunately, however, even this latest in oil spill clean-up technology was unable to operate in the rough Atlantic seas, which prevented effective cleanup of the Argo Merchant oil.

The new equipment can operate in seas up to five feet, in winds up to 20 knots, and in currents up to two knots, explains a Coast Guard official.



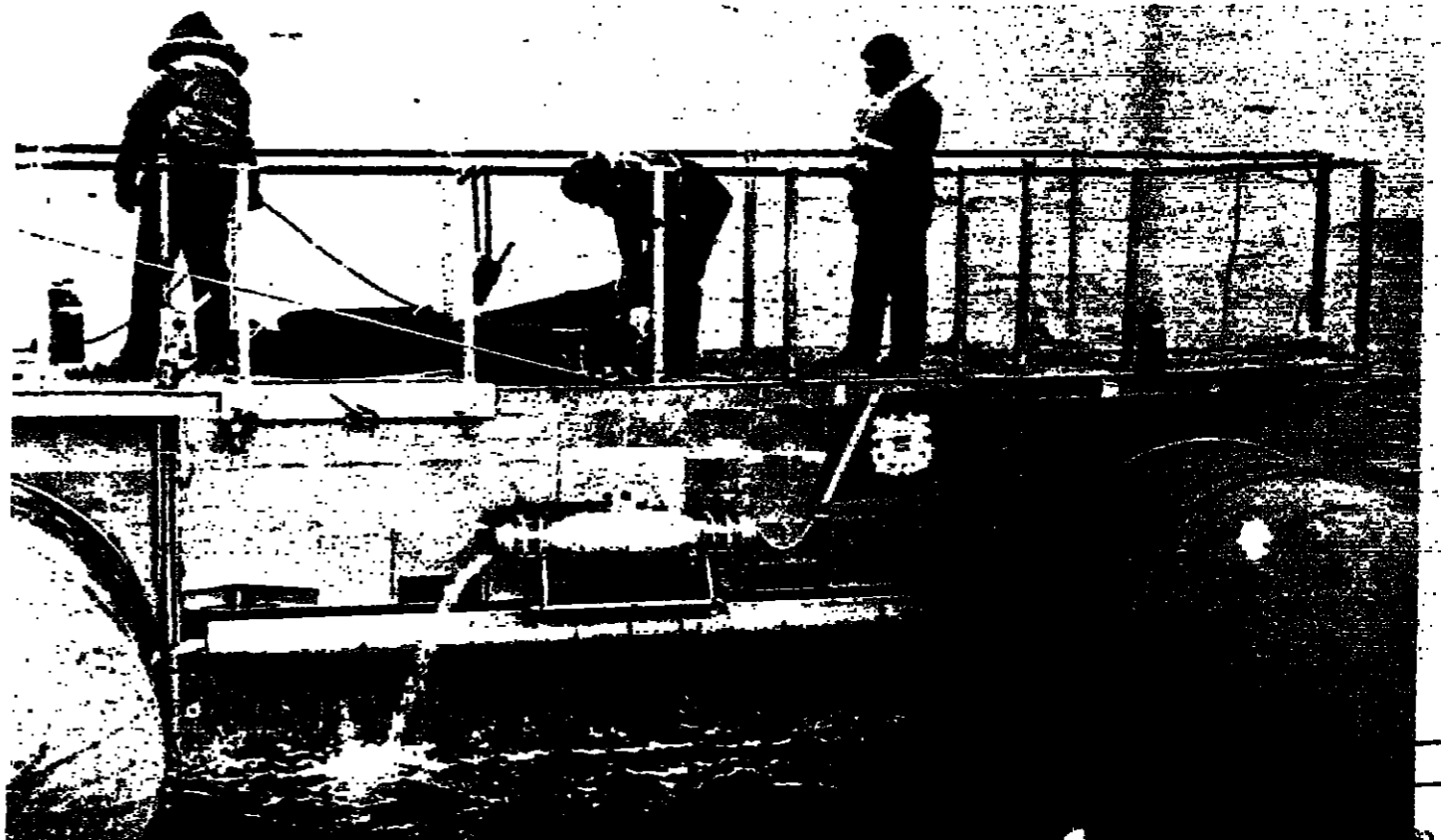
Tugboat (left) has pushed recovery barge next to leaking barge; containment barrier is under way (behind) while Coast Guard cutter (right) completes mop-up.



Flexible oil barrier supported by pontoons.



Helicopter lifts cleanup equipment from Coast Guard cutter.



Skimmer and pumps -- suspended between two large pontoons.

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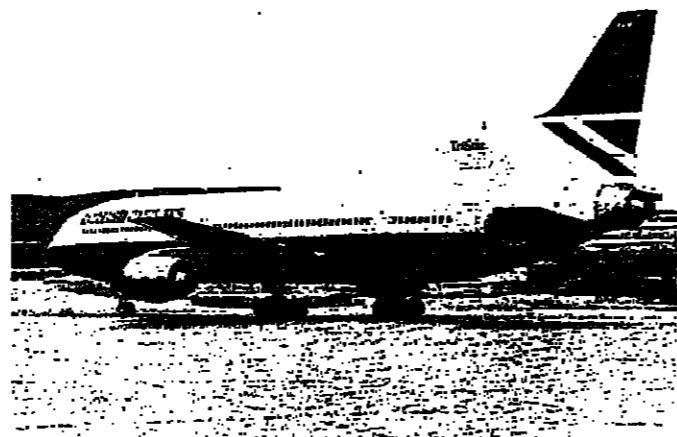
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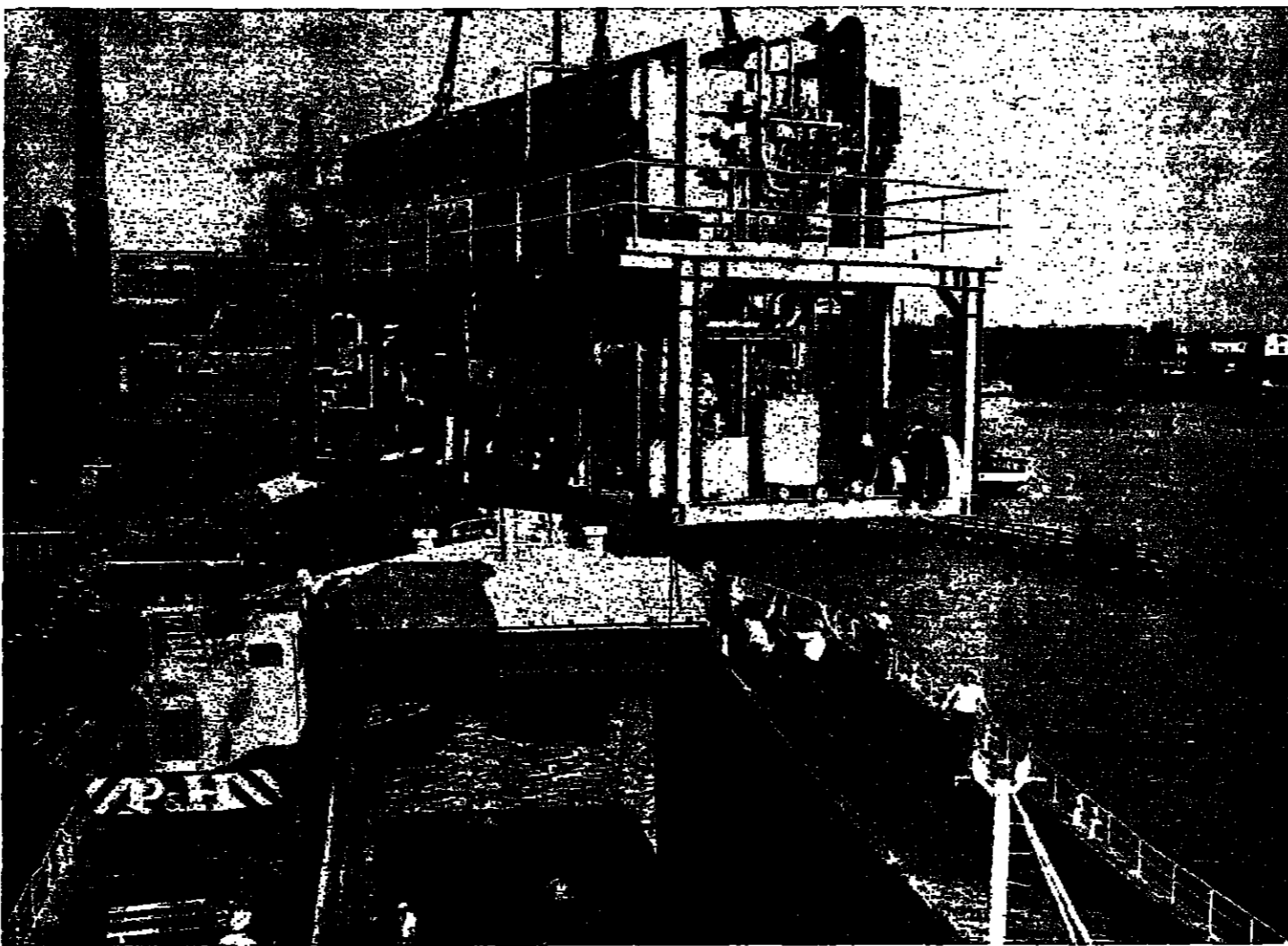
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## GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES H. GOREN AND OMAR SHARIF  
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North-South vulnerable. East deals.

**NORTH**  
♠ A 10 7 4  
♥ 7 6 4 3  
♦ A  
♣ J 10 4 3

**EAST**  
♠ Q 9 5  
♥ A  
♦ K Q J 6 4 3  
♣ 2

**SOUTH**  
♠ K 2  
♥ K J 9 2  
♦ 8 7 5  
♣ A K 6 5

rated to have the ace of hearts for his opening bid, so declarer expected to lose at most two trumps and a club. Dummy's ace of diamonds won the first trick and a low heart from the table was

won by East's ace. East shifted to the eight of clubs, won by the ace. The king of hearts revealed the bad

news that declarer apparently had two more trump losers in addition to the queen of clubs, which also appeared to be with West.

However, declarer saw a line that guaranteed the contract if West held four spades and at least one more diamond.

Declarer cashed the king-ace of spades and ruffed a spade. A diamond ruff served as the entry to dummy to ruff the last spade. Now, declarer led his re-

maining diamond.

If West discarded on this trick, dummy would ruff and declarer would take the king

of clubs for the fulfilling trick. So West had to ruff. He drew dummy's last trump with the queen of hearts,

but then was forced to concede the last two tricks by leading away from this

queen of clubs into declarer's combined king-jack tenace. Declarer lost only three trump tricks.

The power of a 4-4 fit is demonstrated by this hand. Despite the fact that he seemed to have four losers, declarer used his trumps to establish advantage to telescope them into three.

Even though he was short a spade, South felt his hand was too strong not to take action over East's opening bid. North valued his hand at 2 points in support of either major, and rather than boost a suit himself he passed the decision to his partner with a cue-bid of the opposing suit. East tried to muddy the waters by rebidding his high diamond suit, but that didn't stop North-South from reaching a good spot.

West led his top diamond, and when dummy came down declarer saw that, with a normal 3-2 heart break, he would have little trouble making his contract. East

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by Henri Arnold and Bob Lee

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## ROSSWORD PUZZLE

24. Reciprocals of secants  
26. Ceylon palm  
27. Goddess of truth  
29. Particle  
31. Blackbird  
32. Prefix for wrong  
33. Actor's signal  
34. Bengali quince  
35. Shout  
36. Erbium symbol  
37. Devotee  
38. Artery  
39. Echo  
42. Sleep  
43. Greek letter  
44. Pest

**SOLUTION OF YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE**

- Tilable
- Inert colorless gas
- Imitating
- Spanish gentleman
- Fish
- Civic
- Old Siamese cat
- Chinese decorum
- Pattern
- Expression of contempt
- Blushing
- Apprentice
- Villa
- Ballet step
- Singing syllable
- Predetermined
- Tripped
- Fortwith
- Digit
- Eisenhower's brother
- Obliquely
- Bitter
- Potato
- Heroine of "West Side Story"
- Hindrance
- Lettuce
- Scarcely any
- Judean king
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**ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)** Take care of responsibilities early and they are soon behind you. Pay more attention to what mate has to say. Show you are an alert person.

**TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20)** Be more alert to what associates want of you and cooperate more with them, get good results. A public matter is not to your liking, but take it in stride.

**GEMINI (May 21 to June 21)** You have a good deal of work ahead of you and can get into it enthusiastically and get good results now. Gain the goodwill of a fellow worker.

**MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21)** Get into creative work that most appeals to you and get good results. Use some thoughtful way to please the one you love.

**LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21)** Put some extra effort in improving conditions at home. Stop procrastinating and get things done.

**VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22)** Be with as many regular allies now as possible and you get good results. Don't forget that important business matter.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)** You had better make better plans for the future where money matters are concerned. Steer clear of one who is too demanding.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)** Try to do something thoughtful for those you like and gain their goodwill. Improve health so you can do more in the future.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)** Have those confidential talks with key persons so that you can put a fine plan to work intelligently. Clear the slate for bigger and better things ahead.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20)** Try to help good friends as they wish you to instead of how you think they should be assisted. Have fun with congenials.

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By Barnes

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